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DEAR SIR:

The Division of Vegetable Pathology is anxious to obtain specimens of straw and stubble of wheat, oats, rye, and barley from as many different localities as possible. With this end in view franks are inclosed, and you are requested to send packages (not over four pounds in weight) from as many different stacks and fields as possible. Unthreshed straw is to be preferred. The straw or stubble from each field should be kept separate and tied up securely in paper, marking on the frank the name and address of the sender as well as the details regarding the straw. Answers to the following questions are greatly desired.

Respectfully,


J.W. Rush
Secretary.

Name

Post Office

County

State

1. Is wheat commonly injured by rust in your region?

2. What is the extent of the damage?

3. Is fall or spring wheat most liable?

4. Is early or late planted most liable?

5. What varieties are most free and which most attacked?

6. What conditions of weather favor the disease?

7. Do you know any means for preventing the disease?

8. Are oats, barley, or rye seriously attacked by rust in your region?

